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CASE 4-30583A

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1632

AMLOT ET AL.

Examiner: R. Harrison

APPLICATION NO: 09/770,002 FILED: JANUARY 25, 2001

FOR: USE OF CD25 BINDING MOLECULES IN THE TREATMENT OF

RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS OR SKIN DISEASES

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION TO REVIVE UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b).

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be revived under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b).

This application became abandoned by failure to file a Notice of Appeal to the Final Rejection of April 28, 2003, within the six month statutory period which expired on October 28, 2003.

Enclosed with this Petition is a Notice of Appeal in response to the Final Rejection as required by 37 CFR 1.137(b)(1).

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.137(b)(2), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$1,330 required by 37 CFR 1.17(m) to Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation. A duplicate copy of this Petition is also enclosed.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3), it is respectfully submitted that the entire delay in filing the required Notice of Appeal from the due date of October 28, 2003 until the filing of the instant, grantable petition was unintentional.

Respectfully submitted,

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